IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Scott M. Partridge et al.

Title:

SYSTEM AND ASSEMBLY HAVING CONDUCTIVE FIXATION FEATURES

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TOTAL CLAIMS	17	-	20	0	x 18.00 =	\$0.00
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In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 27, 2004, please amend the application as follows.

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